



**PUBLIC NOTICE REGARDING THE SECTION 106 REVIEW AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF A
MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT FOR THE CONVEYANCE OF 127 HIGHLAND STREET,
PLYMOUTH**



The White Mountain National Forest (WMNF) is issuing this public notice as a part of its responsibilities under 36 CFR Part 800, the regulations implementing Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended. Section 106 consultation under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (NHPA) requires federal agencies, including the US Forest Service, to identify and consider the potential effects of its actions on historic properties through a collaborative framework for seeking, discussing and considering the views of the public on how potential adverse effects on historic properties resulting from a proposed Federal action should be addressed.

The White Mountain National Forest is proposing to sell the former Pemigewasset Ranger District Office and Plymouth Fire Equipment Depot, located on the 0.7-acre parcel at 127 Highland Street in the town of Plymouth. The WMNF, in consultation with the New Hampshire Division of Historical Resources, which serves as the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), has determined that the property is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places for its associations with the management of the White Mountain National Forest and the development of infrastructure to respond to new management plans for the detection and extinguishing of forest fires in the first half of the 20th century. The fire equipment depot, built in 1942, also stands as one of the final buildings to be constructed by the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) in New Hampshire.

The sale of the property out of federal ownership, without covenant, constitutes an adverse effect to the property under the NHPA.

As mitigation for the adverse effect, the WMNF is proposing to document the buildings and their history, and to make this information available to the public through the WMNF website. If you would like to comment on the proposed mitigation measures or receive more information, please contact Sarah Jordan, White Mountain National Forest Heritage Program Manager, scjordan@fs.fed.us or 603-536-6240, by January 10, 2014.